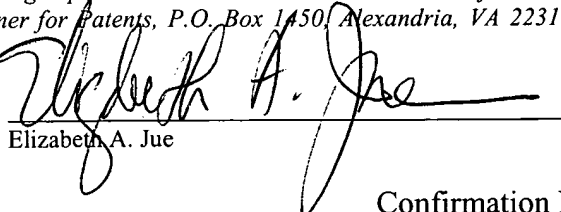


TFW 3627

PATENT

UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE
PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME
FROM THE OFFICE ACTION

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Elizabeth A. Jue

Confirmation No. 3682

Applicant : Albert A. Reff
Application No. : 09/845,754
Filed : May 1, 2001
Title : METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR PROVIDING INVENTORY
CONTROL OF MEDICAL OBJECTS

Grp./Div. : 3627
Examiner : Maria Teresa T. Thein

Docket No. : 52585/R631

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Post Office Box 7068
Pasadena, CA 91109-7068
November 29, 2005

Commissioner:

Applicant petitions the Commissioner to extend the time for response to the Office action dated September 29, 2005 for 1 month(s) from October 29, 2005 to November 29, 2005.

The fee for extension of time required by 37 CFR § 1.17 is calculated below.

CALCULATION OF FEE			
LENGTH OF EXTENSION	SMALL ENTITY	LARGE ENTITY	FEE
WITHIN FIRST MONTH	\$ 60	\$ 120	\$60
WITHIN SECOND MONTH	\$ 225	\$ 450	\$
WITHIN THIRD MONTH	\$ 510	\$ 1020	\$
WITHIN FOURTH MONTH	\$ 795	\$1590	\$
WITHIN FIFTH MONTH	\$1080	\$2160	\$

Submitted herewith is a check for \$ 60.00 to cover the cost of the extension.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required by this paper to Deposit Account No. 03-1728. Please show our docket number with any charge or credit to our Deposit Account. **A copy of this letter is enclosed.**

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CLAIMS AS AMENDED						
	Claims Remaining After Amendment	Highest Number Paid For	Number Extra Claims	Small Entity Rate	Large Entity Rate	FEE
Total Claims Fee	13	*20		x \$25.00	x \$50.00	
Independent Claims	2	** 4		x \$100.00	x \$200.00	
Multiple Dependent Claims ***				\$180.00	\$360.00	
TOTAL FILING FEE						
NO ADDITIONAL FEE REQUIRED	IF NO FEE REQUIRED, INSERT "0"					0
LIST INDEPENDENT CLAIMS: 1, 17						